GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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PESTICIDES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of brands of pesticides which have been banned in other countries are in use in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any research has been made during the last three years to assess their harmful impact; and

(d) if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b) : Some pesticides which have been banned/restricted in other countries, are in use in India. List of such pesticides is annexed.

(c) & (d): Three of these pesticides namely Carbosulfan, Fenpropathrin and Linuron are registered during last three years for use in India by Registration Committee constituted under the Insecticides Act, 1968 only after evaluating various data generated globally on their harmful impacts. There is a process of continuous evaluation of these pesticides by Expert Committees. Eleven pesticides were got evaluated by an Expert Committee earlier and on their recommendation, the Government has banned two hazardous pesticide formulations viz. Methomyl 12.5%L and Phosphamidon 85% SL with effect from 26.3.2000 and allowed continuous use of nine pesticides. The recommendations of another Expert Committee for continuance or otherwise of the remaining twenty-six pesticides in the country, as given in the annexure, is under consideration.

LIST OF PESTICIDES WHICH HAVE BEEN BANNED/SEVERELY RESTRICTED IN SOME COUNTRIES, BUT ARE BEING USE IN INDIA.

SL.NO. PESTICIDE

1. Alachlor

2. Aldicarb

3. Aluminium Phosphide
4. Benomyl

5. Captafol
6. Captan

7 Carbaryl

8. Carbofuran

9. Carbosulfan
10. Chlorobenzilate
11. DDT
12. Dicofol
13. Dieldrin

14. Dimethoate
15. Diuron
16. EDB (Ethylene Dibromide)
17. Endosulfan
18. Fenarimol
19. Fenpropathrin
20. Lindane
21 Linuron
22. Malathion
23. Maleic Hydrazide
24. MEMC
25. Methomyl
26. Methyl Parathion
27. Monocrotophos
28. Oxyflourfen
29. Paraquat dichloride
30. Phorate
31. Phosphamidon
32. Pretilachlor
33. Sodium Cyanide
34. Thiometon
35. Thiram
36. Triazophos
37. Tridemorph
38. Trichloroacetic acid
39. Zinc Phosphide
40. Ziram

Continuous use allowed